

between lines 14 and 15, insert the following subheading:

- 2. Discussion of Prior Art--.

Page 2, between lines 8 and 9, insert the following heading:

--SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--.

Page 9, before line 1, insert the following heading:

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS--;

between lines 30 and 31, insert the following heading:

--DETAILED DISCUSSION OF PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS--;

Page 12, lines 17 and 19, change "rheophores" to --electrical leads--

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1-24 and 27 and add new claims 28-30 as follows:

Claim 1 (*Amended*) An optical device for aiming along an axis Z and visually indicating a reading zone, comprising at least [an] one illuminating assembly [(2a, 2b)] active on a reading zone portion along an optical emission path [100a, 100b)], [characterized in that] said at least one illuminating assembly [(2a, 2b)] comprises:

- [-] a light source [(3)];
- [-] a diaphragm [(4)] having a preset shape for selecting a portion of the light generated by said source [(3)];